



Junior Golf

Welcome to the Westport Parks and Recreation Golf Program. Instruction in this program is offered for children in grades 3 through 12. A very popular activity, children will learn the basic fundamentals and skills of the game of golf at the beginner level and gradually progress to more intensive play on the intermediate level.

Pro Staff

Longshore Golf Pro, Jon Janik, heads our junior golf program.

Our Program

The Junior Golf program is designed for boys and girls to learn and enhance their game of golf. Instruction is offered at the beginner and intermediate levels with skill testing at the end of each session. **On the first day of each session, please meet on the grass area behind the Pro Shop.**

Beginner: Participants with less than one year of experience and/or have never taken lessons.

Intermediate: Participants, who have taken lessons before, have over one year of experience and need to improve their skills and technique.

What to Bring

- Attire for instruction should be a **short sleeve shirt with a collar**, shorts, sneakers and socks. If the weather seems to be cool, a sweatshirt, jacket or long pants would also be appropriate.
- Those participants who wish to bring their own golf clubs may. Clubs will be provided for those who do not have clubs or do not want to bring them. Balls are supplied for everyone.

Rain Days

Instruction is OUTDOORS, but inclement weather will cause the program to be held in a classroom setting at the Parks and recreation office.

General Rules

- All participants are expected to respect not only each other and all staff, but the rules, policies and regulations that govern the golf course. There are certain etiquette policies that must be adhered to. Discipline problems will not be tolerated and are cause for dismissal from the program with no refund.
- At the end of each lesson, please be sure to pick up all belongings. There is no lost and found.
- Please be prompt and on time for your lessons. The instructors will not wait for you.

About the Golf Course...

Those participants in our junior golf program that are under 12 years of age need to complete the following before they are allowed to play the course at Longshore:

1. The junior golfer must complete 10 hours of clinic instruction or 3.5 hours of private instruction from a certified pro.
2. The junior golfer must complete and pass a skills evaluation test, both written and physical with one of the golf pros at Longshore. An appointment and additional fee is necessary for the certification test. Please schedule accordingly as the certification exam schedules are limited.

If both of the above items are achieved, Mr. Janik will sign off on the golfer's card, which may be presented at the First Tee for play with adult supervision only.

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LONGSHORE GOLF COURSE JUNIOR INFORMATION SHEET

The following list of rules has been created as a guide to help parents and young golfers understand the practices, policies and etiquette that a golfer must follow:

1. Once a player is twice par for the hole, he/she must pick up the ball and drop it on the green. An example would be if par was 5 and after 10 shots the player is not on the green, he/she must pick up the ball and drop it on the green and putt.
2. Each player in the group is responsible for raking bunkers and repairing divots.
3. Any throwing of clubs will result in instant removal from the golf course.
4. There is no running on the greens, yelling or foul language.
5. Each player in the group is in charge of keeping pull carts off the tees and 30 feet from the greens.
6. Each player is responsible for keeping up with the pace of play.
7. The adult in the group is to spot all shots.
8. Play Ready Golf:

- * Tee-off when “ready” (No Honors)**
- * In the fairway – hit when “ready” (as long as it is clear ahead)**
- * Stay “ready” within one stroke of group ahead**
- * Putt-Out when “ready”**
- * “Ready Golf” makes faster rounds!**

HELP STOMP OUT SLOW PLAY